Reopening of Adilabad Unit of CCI

357. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the employees unions of the Cement Corporation of India have demanded to re-open the Adilabad Unit of the CCI;

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard;

(c) whether Government propose to grant Rs. 287 crore package for the CCI which has been referred to BIFR; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Operations of Adilabad and a few other units of CCI remain suspended due to disconnection of power supply, liquidity and other problems of the Corporation. The company has been under reference to BIFR. BIFR has been considering a fresh Draft Revival Scheme.

(c) and (d) Government's response can be decided only after examining the Draft Revival Scheme (DRS) when it is circulated by the BIFR.

Industrial Units set up in Rajasthan

358. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) how many Central Government Industrial Units are in Rajasthan and how many of them are closed;

(b) how many such units are established in other States;

(c) whether Government would place all such lists; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (d) There are 6 Central Public Sector Enterprises having their registered offices in Rajasthan and all are in operation. The number of Public Sector Enterprises in other States are 234. A list of Central Public Sector Enterprises in different States/Union Territories as per their Registered Offices as on 31.3.98, till which period the information is abailable, is given

in appendix III (pages S 230 — S 236) of Volume I of the Public Enterprises Survey 1997-98 which was laid in Parliament on 26.2.99 and is a published document.

Joint Venture in PSUs

359. SHRI CM. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been considering the joint venture route in respect of the 48 identified PSUs under his Ministry, seven of which are profit making units;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the contemplated joint venture set up therefor; and

(c) the decisions taken in the matter and the steps taken, so far, with regard to each venture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJL BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (c) Government have given, in principle, approval for conversion of 24 PSUs under the administrative jurisdiction of this Ministry into Joint Ventures. The names of 24 PSUs are given in *Statement-1 (See* below)

In respect of one PSU, viz., Lagan Jute Machinery Company Ltd., the Cabinet has recently approved formation of Joint Venture with 74% equity to a private promoter.

As regards other cases, Consultants/Merchant Bankers have been appointed to tender appropriate advice in 17 cases (as per the Statement-II)

Statement I

List of PSUs under the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises where Government have given "in principle" approval for conversion into Joint Ventures.

1. Andrew Yule & Company Ltd. (AY & Co)
2. Bharat Heavy Plates & Vessels Ltd. (BHPV)
3. Bharat Leather Corporation Ltd. (BLQ
4. Bharat Pumps & Compressors Ltd. (BPCL)